

# Healthy Together

## OUR MEDICAL-LEGAL PARTNERSHIP

Children’s Law Center’s (CLC) medical-legal partnership removes non-medical barriers to children’s health and well-being—barriers such as poor housing conditions and lack of appropriate special education. Children’s Law Center attorneys work from offices located inside clinics across DC, adding a lawyer to the health care team. The program’s fully integrated reach expanded to two new locations in 2017. Our team members work in Children’s National Health System, Mary’s Center and Unity Health Care centers in Wards 1, 5, 7 and 8—and positively impacted more than 1,000 DC children in 2017.

### BUILD Health

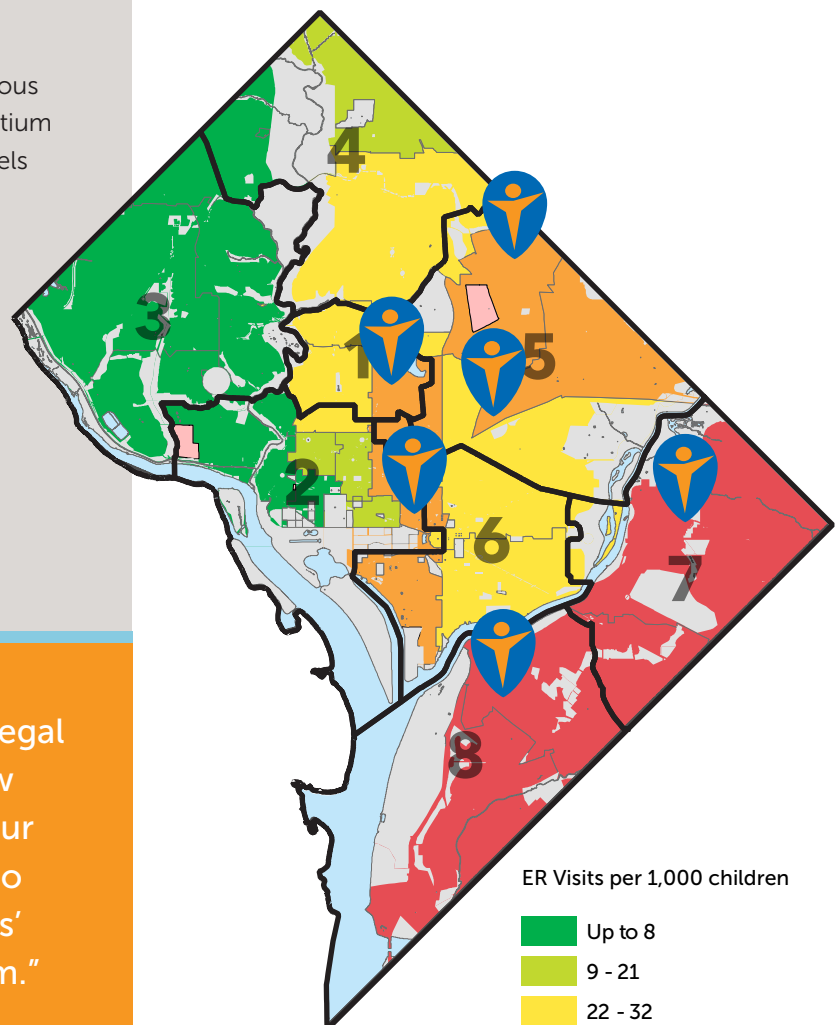
In 2017, Children’s Law Center received a prestigious grant from the BUILD Health Challenge, a consortium of national funders that is working to create models of multi-sector, community-driven partnerships to reduce health disparities caused by social inequity. Children’s Law Center is collaborating with the Department of Health and IMPACT DC (Children’s National Health System’s asthma program) to improve asthma outcomes for DC’s poorest children.

“ Our groundbreaking medical-legal partnership with Children’s Law Center has become a core part of our daily operations and empowers us to solve the root causes of our patients’ health issues outside the exam room.”

#### Dr. Stephen Teach

Chair, Department of Pediatrics and Director of IMPACT DC Asthma Program, Children’s National Health System

### Asthma-Related Emergency Room Visits by DC Children



Source: Truven Health Analytics, file received from DC Hospital Association. Map produced by Children’s National Health System.

ER Visits per 1,000 children

Up to 8

9 - 21

22 - 32

33 - 47

48 - 76

Non-Residential



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